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RECENZIE - BOOK REVIEW

SCHULTZ, O. (2001), **Bivalvia neogenica (Nuculacea – Unionacea)**. In Piller, W. E. (Ed.): *Catalogus Fossilium Austriae*, Band 1 / Teil 1, 1 Tabelle, XLVIII + 379 Seiten, 8 Abbildungen, 56 Tafeln. – Wien (Verlag der Österreichischen Akademie der Wissenschaften). ISBN 3-7001-2982-3.

The volume represents the 23rd issue from the series of *Catalogus Fossilium Austriae*, in the frame of the project of the Österreichischen Akademie der Wissenschaften, which begun in 1965. Being “Ein Systematisches Verzeichnis aller auf österreichischem Gebiet festgestellten Fossilien”, it provides full information on the Neogene families: Nuculidae, Nuculanidae, Solemyidae, Arcidae, Noetiidae, Limopsidae, Glycymerididae, Manzanellidae, Mytilidae, Pinnidae, Pteriidae, Isognomonidae, Pectinidae, Plicatulidae, Spondylidae, Anomiidae, Limidae, Gryphaeidae, Ostreidae, Margaritiferidae and Unionidae. This first volume of *Bivalvia neogenica* contains about 300 taxa and follows the systematic of Cox et al., 1969 and 1971.

The diverse and well preserved Late Oligocene – Miocene bivalves of the Vienna Basin and the Molasse Basin of Austria, studied from the 18th century until 2000, are presented with all synonymies and are also well illustrated.

For all taxa distribution data and references are given, for Austria and all European bioprovinces, too, and are critically commented.

This exhaustive work is very useful for further systematic, taxonomic, stratigraphic and biogeographic studies of Neogene bivalves from the entire Paratethys, especially, and represents a model to be followed by other similar studies.

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